









COMMUNITY OVERVIEW 2010-2011

# SCOTTSDALE AT A GLANCE

The City of Scottsdale is an exciting and dynamic community that has matured since its incorporation in 1951 as a City of 2,000 citizens into the sophisticated and cultured southwestern City of today. The City continues to grow each year and has seen a nearly 10% increase in population since 2000. Scottsdale boasts a highly-educated population with 46% of individuals 25 and older having at least a bachelors degree, significantly higher than the State or National percentages. Additionally, income levels in Scottsdale are among the highest in the State. This is truly a community where economic prosperity and lifestyle converge.

#### Community Characteristics

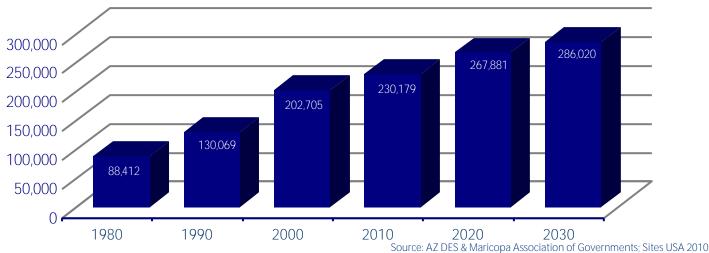
2010 Population: 230,179 2015 Population Projection: 243,200 Median Household Income: \$83,969 Median Age: 40.7

Planning Area: 182.4 sq. Miles
Annual Average Rainfall: 7.74 inches
Annual Sunshine Days: 314 days
Average Minimum Temp: 55.7°
Average Maximum Temp: 84.6°

Source: Sites USA 2010

# Scottsdale Surprise Phoenix Paradise Valley Tolleson Sky Harbor International Airport Tusion 1.5 hours Cave Creek SCOTTSDALE Fountain Hills Tempe Total Tempe Total Tempe Total Tempe Total Tempe Total Total

#### Population Growth & Projections



#### Largest Private Employers

Scottsdale Healthcare	6,650	Fairmont Scottsdale Resort	1,000	Nordstrom's	500
Mayo Clinic - Scottsdale	4,900	Dial Corporation	700	JDA Software Group	451
General Dynamics C4 Systems	3,600	Desert Mountain	650	McKesson	450
CVS/CareMark	2,048	United Blood Services	647	Scottsdale Medical Imaging	380
Go Daddy Group	1,915	Coventry Healthcare	631	Taser International	355
The Vanguard Group	1,899	The Boulders Resort	620	Sage Software	350
Scottsdale Insurance	1,400	Hyatt Gainey Ranch	583	Pegasus Solutions	225

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#### Cost of Doing Business

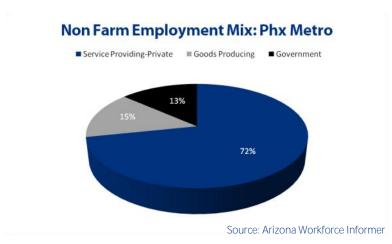
State Corporate Income Tax:	6.968%					
Sales Tax:	8.95%					
State	6.60%					
County	0.70%					
Scottsdale	1.65%					
Property Tax:	\$7.15					
Rate per \$100 of assessed value						
Commercial	¢1 F00 000	Manhatila				
Example:	\$1,500,000					
	\$1,200,000	Full Cash Value (approx. 80% of Market Value)				
	x 22%	Commercial/ Industrial Assessment Ratio*				
	\$264,000	Assessed Value				
	x .0715	Tax Rate Factor \$7.15/\$100				
	\$18,876	Tax Liability				
Personal						
Income Tax:	2.59% - 4.54%					

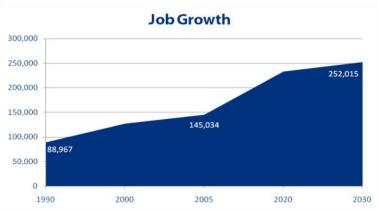
<sup>\*</sup> This rate will decrease to 20% over the next 2 years

#### Labor Force Characteristics

Employment	Scottsdale	Phx Metro	Arizona		
June 2010	133,798	1,933,429	2,863,920		
Unemployment					
June 2010	6.6%	9.0%	9.7%		
Civilian Labor					
June 2010	143,204	2,123,981	3,173,159		

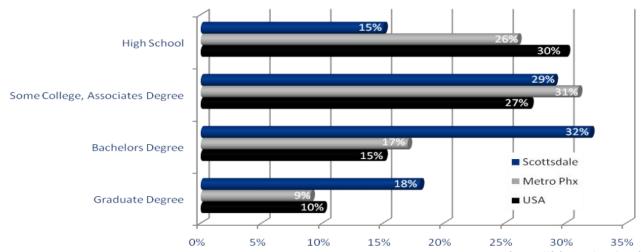
Source: AZ DES Workforce Informer





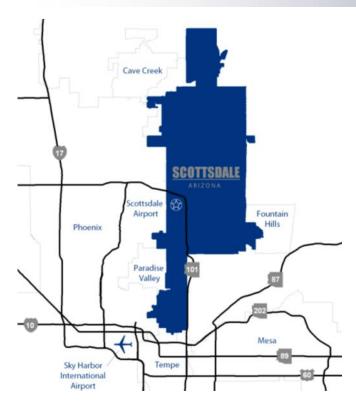
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#### Educational Attainment - highest level completed



Source: US Census American Community Survey 2008

## SCOTTSDALE AIRPARK

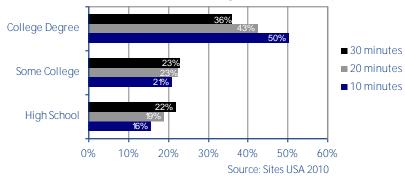


The Scottsdale Airpark is the third largest employment center in Arizona boasting nearly 30,000 employees in over 2,000 businesses; 35 of which are corporate headquarters like GoDaddy.com, Henkel Corporation, JDA Software, Hypercom, and Taser International.

Strategically located along the Loop 101 freeway, the Airpark is home to Scottsdale Airport, the busiest single-runway, general aviation airport in the country and the largest corporate jet facility in Arizona.

Additionally, the Airpark is situated among world class resorts, retail centers, restaurants, residential areas, and golf courses. Vacationers and business travelers will enjoy the close proximity to some of Scottsdale's premier events like the Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction and the Waste Management Phoenix Open PGA Golf Tournament.

#### Educational Attainment - highest level completed

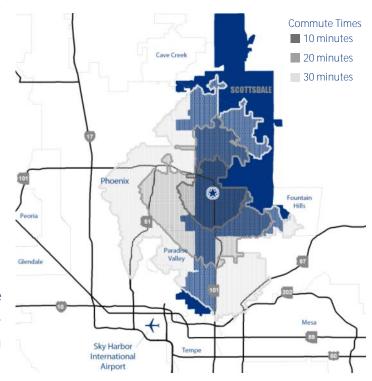


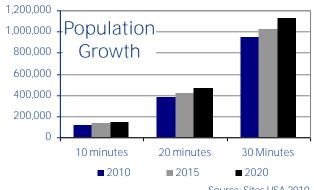
#### Labor Force Skills & Accessibility

Within a 20-minute commute, employers in the Scottsdale Airpark have access to 300,000 workers, and within a 30minute commute the number of workers more than doubles to over 740,000

Approximately 44 percent of the labor force living within a 20-minute commute are professional, managerial, business or financial operations employees. There is also a high concentration of sales and office employees.

The projected population within a 30-minute commute is expected to increase by over 75,000 people by 2015, providing a continuous flow of future workers to the area.





Source: Sites USA 2010

## CENTRAL SCOTTSDALE

Cave Creek

SCOTTSDALE

ARIZONA

Peoria

Phoenix

Paradise
Valley

Fountain
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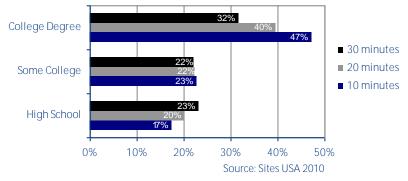
nestled in the heart of McCormick Ranch and boasts nearly 40,000 employees in over 3,000 businesses; 40 of which are corporate headquarters like Stirling Energy, Medicis Pharmaceutical, Rural/Metro, Nighthawk Radiology, and Trapeze Software.

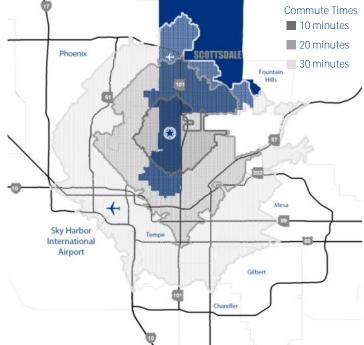
Central Scottsdale employment area

Only 14 miles from Sky Harbor International Airport, this employment area is also located in close proximity to the Loop 101 freeway.

Vacationers and business travelers alike will also enjoy the close proximity to Scottsdale's Downtown district which is home to world class shopping at Scottsdale Fashion Square, vibrant nightlife, and luxury resorts like the Theodore, Hotel Valley Ho, and the W Hotel.





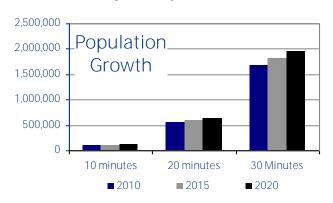


#### Labor Force Skills & Accessibility

Within a 20-minute commute, there is a high concentration of workers in sales and office occupations. More over, approximately 40 percent of the labor force living within that same area works in professional, managerial, business or financial occupations.

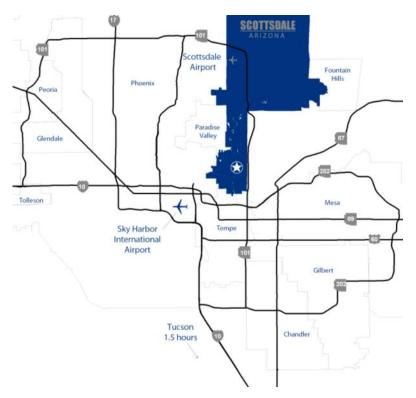
Also within a 20-minute commute, employers in Central Scottsdale have access to over 400,000 workers. When the range is expanded to a 30-minute commute, the number of workers more than triples to over 1.2 million.

This area will also see a continually expanding workforce as the projected population within a 30-minute commute is expected to increase by over 120,000 people by 2015.



Source: Sites USA 2010

## SOUTHERN/DOWNTOWN SCOTTSDALE

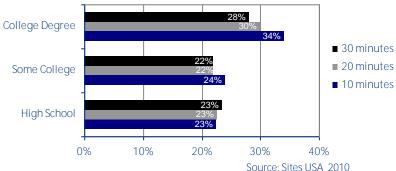


The Southern Scottsdale Employment area is anchored by SkySong: The ASU Center for Innovation and major employers include McKesson, Yelp, American Solar Electric, and Ticketmaster.

Only 10 miles from Sky Harbor International Airport, this employment area is also located in close proximity to the Loop 101 freeway, and Arizona State University

Vacationers and business travelers alike will also enjoy the many amenities available in Scottsdale's Downtown district., which offers some of the finest galleries, specialty retail, cultural attractions and dining in the Valley of the Sun.

#### Educational Attainment - highest level completed

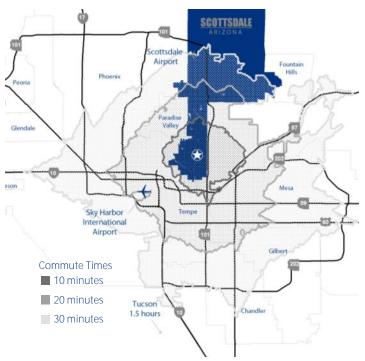


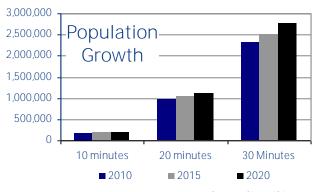


Approximately 34 percent of the labor force living within a 20-minute commute are professional, managerial, business or financial operations employees. There is also a high concentration of sales and office employees.

Also within a 20-minute commute, employers in the area have access to over 700,000 workers. When the range is expanded to a 30-minute commute, the number of workers more than doubles to over 1.7 million.

Southern/downtown Scottsdale will also see a continually expanding workforce as the projected population within a 30-minute commute is expected to increase by over 180,000 people by 2015.





Source: Sites USA 2010

# CITY OF SCOTTSDALE BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

#### Scottsdale Business Assistance

Site Selection mic Vitality Departm

The Economic Vitality Department maintains a close relationship with the local brokerage community and can perform customized searches of our available real estate inventory based on a wide variety of search criteria. We also provide detailed information on real estate costs, infrastructure, and demographics.

Fast Tracking & Expedited
Review and Permitting
This process allows the company to save time through the entitlement process. Your project will be assigned a project manager to ensure timely review of all project plans

Relocation Assistance
The city of Scottsdale can provide access to local relocation resources that will ensure a smooth corporate transition to our community. Efforts will be coordinated with both the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce and the Scottsdale CVB

Low Property Tax Rates
The City of Scottsdale has the lowest overall property tax rates in Metro Phoenix – on average about 28% lower than other communities.

#### Scottsdale Financial Assistance

The City of Scottsdale looks at all financial incentive requests on a case-by-case basis, and evaluates these based on the value generated to the community. While it does not often grant incentives, the City has provided financial assistance to major employers along the following lines:

Performance based tax rebates
These area generally tied to public
infrastructure for its incentive investments.
Typically a portion of the new tax revenue
generated for the city is paid back to the
developer as revenues are generated. The
rebate is typically made to support public
infrastructure built and paid for by the
developer.

Direct infrastructure improvements
Made by the City to facilitate new
development. In these cases the City pays for
new off site infrastructure which will serve the
new project.

#### Scottsdale IDA

The main function of the IDA is to issue taxexempt bonds for certain types of private developments, including certain types of manufacturing, office development for CHQ's, and healthcare. Potential projects are screened by the Economic Vitality Department prior to presentation to the IDA.







# Statewide Business Assistance Programs

Arizona Job Training Program
This Program provides grant money to
companies creating new jobs or retraining
existing workers in Arizona. Funds can be used
to offset costs associated with developing and
implementing a job-training plan to meet the

company's specific requirements. The program is streamlined, flexible and designed to meet the specific needs of their business.

THIS PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY ON HOLD

Research and Development Tax Credit
This program allows a company to receive a
tax credit for qualified research and
development that is conducted in Arizona,
including research conducted at a state
university and funded by the company.

Declining Commercial Property
Tax Assessment
The state property tax assessment rate is on a reduction schedule from 25% to 20% over the next10 years. The assessment ratio is currently set at 22%.

Pollution Control Tax Credit Managed through the Arizona Department of revenue, this credit provides a 10% income tax credit on the purchase price of real or personal property used to control or prevent pollution. Additional Depreciation
This program provides an aggressive accelerated depreciation schedule to encourage new capital investment and reduce a company's personal property tax liability.
The Arizona Department of Commerce works directly with the company personnel to analyze tax liability and identify specific benefits of the accelerated depreciation schedule.

Commercial/ Industrial Solar
Energy Tax Credit
This Program aims to stimulate the production and use of solar energy in commercial and industrial applications by subsidizing the initial cost of solar energy devices. The program achieves this goal by providing an Arizona income tax credit for the installation of solar energy devices in Arizona business facilities.

Renewable Energy Tax Incentive
The program provides tax incentives to
companies in the solar, wind, geothermal and
other renewable energy industries who are
expanding or locating in Arizona. The program
offers two benefits; up to a 10% refundable income tax credit and up to a 75% reduction on
real and personal property taxes









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